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STATE OF MONTANA

#### IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

No. DA 09-0682 JEANETTE DIAZ, LEAH HOFFMAN-) BERNHARDT, RACHEL LAUDON, individually and on behalf of others similarly situated, FILED Plaintiffs and Appellants, V. Ed Smith CLARK OF THE BUFFEME COURT STATE OF MONTANA BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF MONTANA, INC., NEW WEST HEALTH SERVICES, MONTANA COMPREHENSIVE HEALTH ASSOCIATION, STATE OF MONTANA, AND JOHN DOES 1-100 Defendants and Appellees.

# BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF MONTANA, INC.'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ITS ANSWER BRIEF

Appeal from the District Court of the First Judicial District of the State of Montana in and for the County of Lewis and Clark Cause No. BDV-2008-956

The Honorable Jeffrey Sherlock

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Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Montana, Inc., respectfully moves this

Honorable Court pursuant to Rule 26 of the Montana Rules of Appellate

Procedure for a thirty day extension of time to file its Answer Brief. Specifically, its Answer Brief would be due on or before May 12, 2010. It requests, however, that it be allowed to prepare, file, and serve its Answer Brief on or before June 11, 2010.

In accordance with Rule 26(1), M. R. App. P., the undersigned contacted one of Appellants' counsel concerning this extension of time request. Appellants' counsel does not oppose the motion but suggests that the extension be limited to fifteen days rather than the requested thirty days since it took so long to get the record up to the Court. Pursuant to Rule 16(1), M. R. App. P., a proposed order is presented with this motion.

Respectfully submitted this 20 day of April 2010.

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a copy of the foregoing BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF MONTANA, INC.'S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE ITS ANSWER BRIEF was served upon the following by mailing a true and correct copy thereof on April <u>20</u>, 2010, addressed as follows:

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